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[redacted], Chief
London Bureau, FRIS
c/o American Embassy
21 Grosvenor Square
London W. 1, England

Dear Tom:

Subject: Visits to Caversham

I have received your 3 February 1960 letter which reports on the above subject. [redacted] and I both concur in your suggestion that we seek to revise paragraph 6 of the 1954 agreement along the lines you outlined. We will take the matter up at the next Coordination Meeting which probably will be in about a year's time in Washington. [redacted] may possibly wish to mention it to Mr. Campbell during his visit to Caversham.

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Sincerely,

[redacted]
Chief, FRIS

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3 February 1960

[redacted] Chief
Foreign Broadcast Information Service
2430 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Roger:

Subject: Visits to Caversham

I am attaching a Memorandum for the Record which I prepared and submitted to [redacted] for his review. Although he appreciates the hospitality shown U.S. Government officials at Caversham, he feels that he should not be called upon to pass on the suitability of private U.S. citizens who might wish to pay a visit to the Monitoring Service.

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I suggested that at the next coordination meeting paragraph six of the 1954 agreement might be revised so that only U.S. Government officials are channeled through the office of the [redacted] who would thus be freed of any possible embarrassment by having to refuse a private American citizen the privilege of visiting the premises of the EBC.

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Sincerely,

[redacted]

Chief, London Bureau

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c: [redacted]

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17 December 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

1. Recently Francis Ronald of the News and Current Affairs section of Radio Liberte, Munich, asked the Head of the BBC Monitoring Service, for permission to visit the BBC Monitoring Service installation at Caversham.

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2. [] was, therefore, referred to [] who was placed in the position of passing on the visit of a private American citizen to a British establishment.

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3. The Chief of the FBIS London Bureau suggested to the Head, Monitoring Service, that the referring of Americans directly to [] seemed a rather cumbersome manner in which to handle a routine request.

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4. To expedite similar requests in the future, the Head of the Monitoring Service agreed that he would ask the Chief of the FBIS London Bureau to query [] about American visitors without the knowledge of such visitors.

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PARAGRAPH 6 OF FBIS-BBC 1954 AGREEMENT

"VISIT TO CAVERSHAM OF AMERICAN ORGANIZATIONS

The BBC stated that some embarrassment had been caused in the past by requests to the BBC Monitoring Service from organizations such as Radio Free Europe for their representatives to visit Caversham. In view of the existence of an FBIS Bureau here it was considered that there should be some agreed channel for such visits acceptable to both FBIS and the BBC Monitoring Service. FBIS have now arranged that all such requests from U.S. organizations or citizens of the United States should be channeled through General John R. Deane of the American Embassy."

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